December 20, 2018 Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey

This is the Sandhill crane ground count survey for December 18-19, 2018. Barren River Lake is still a little high. On 12/18, the lake level was 538.8 and falling. This is down .8 feet from last week, but is still about 10 feet above winter pool. Many of the sandbars that provide adequate roosting habitat for the cranes are still under water. The roost sites in Hardin County still have not produced birds during the survey. The roost ponds have water and there are plenty of harvested crop fields in the area.

The Kentucky 2018-19 Sandhill crane season opened Monday, December 3, and runs to Sunday, January 27. This is concurrent with the second segment of duck season.

Location	Number	Comments
Barren River Lake WMA	3,434 Sandhill Cranes	Lake leve(12/18)l: 538.8 and falling.
Hardin County	0 Sandhill Cranes	